GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA

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ALLOTMENT OF PCOS
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether any norms have been laid down for allotment of STD/ISD PCOs in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government have received any complaints about allotment of PCOs in the recent past; and

(d) if so, the corrective steps taken in the matter?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRIMATI S MAHAJAN)

(a) & (b) : Yes, Sir. According to the present policy, PCOs are allotted liberally to all applicants who are of 18 years and above without any restriction of educational qualifications subject to technical feasibility and completion of commercial formalities.

(c) & (d) : Yes, Sir. Some complaints have been received in this regard. PCOs allotted to handicapped persons on fraudulent documents are disconnected.